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For: Polymer Blends and Their Application

As Viscosity Index Improvers

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Beth Earnest

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment in the subject application.

Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R.§ 1.136 is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 05-1372 for the appropriate petition fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1372. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of a Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 16, 2003, Applicants hereby attach the amendments made to the claims in the response filed on September 8, 2003 in proper format, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Applicants respectfully request that the present amendments be entered in the record in response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2003.

It is believed that there are no fees associated with this filing. However, in the event the undersigned is mistaken in his calculations, the Commissioner is authorized to debit the appropriate fees from the Deposit Account of the undersigned, No. 05-1372. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1372.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please contact me at your convenience if you have any questions or require additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

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